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SUBJECT:TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE WORKING GROUP:

VISITS OF GOI PORTS/RAILROADS STUDY TEAMS

PLEASE PASS LANG SCHERMERHORN

REF: TEHRAN 7196

1. AFTER UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO TELEPHONE EMBASSY, ASSISTANT SECRETARY BINDER CALLED DR. PAKDAMAN. DR. PAKDAMAN SAID THE GOI WOULD RPT WOULD COVER COSTS OF IRANIAN TEAMS COMING TO U.S. HE ALSO REQUESTED THAT TEAM ITINERARIES BE TELEXED DIRECTLY TO HIM. THIS HAS BEEN DONE AND WE ARE NOW AWAITING WORD FROM PAKDAMAN CONCERNING TIMING OF VISITS.

2. FOR EMBASSY'S INFO FOLLOWING ITINERARIES WERE TELEXED TO PAKDAMAN:

WASHINGTON, D. C. - ONE DAY - DISCUSSIONS

CHICAGO - ONE AND ONE-HALF DAYS - GM LA GRANGE FACILITY,

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CURTISS YARD, PULLMAN HAMMOND INDIANA R AND D FACILITY;

DENVER - ONE DAY - DOT TEST CENTER AT PUEBLO;

PAGE, ARIZONA - ONE DAY - BLACK MESA AND LAKE POWELL RR;

SAN FRANCISCO - ONE DAY - SOUTHERN PACIFIC HEADQUARTERS,
BART/OAKLAND PORT FACILITY;
LOS ANGELES - THREE DAYS - WEST COLTON TRAINING
SIMULATOR, MEETINGS WITH A/E FIRMS;
HOUSTON - TWO DAYS - SOUTHERN PACIFIC CONTROL CENTER,
TRW R AND D FACILITY;
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA - ONE DAY - TEXAS UTILITIES
ELECTRIFIED RAIL LINE;
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA - ONE DAY - CTC FACILITY;
ATLANTA - ONE AND ONE-HALF DAYS - SOUTHERN RAILWAY
HEADQUARTERS, INMAN YARD, SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPUTER;
HUNTSVILLE - ONE DAY - SHEFFIELD YARD;
WASHINGTON, D. C. - THREE DAYS - MEET WITH A/E FIRMS;
PITTSBURGH - ONE DAY - WABCO FACILITIES;
ERIE - ONE DAY - GE TRANSPORTATION TEST CENTER;
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK - ONE DAY - GRS FACILITIES;
NEW YORK - TWO DAYS - MEETINGS WITH A/E FIRMS;
WASHINGTON - TWO DAYS - WRAP-UP DISCUSSIONS.

TOTAL IN-COUNTRY COST PER PERSON IS ESTIMATED AT
ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS.

PORTS:

NEW YORK - FOUR DAYS - PORT FACILITIES AND COAST GUARD
FACILITIES;
BALTIMORE - TWO DAYS - PORT FACILITIES;
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA - ONE DAY - TRAINING CENTER;
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA - TWO DAYS - COAL AND OTHER BULK
FACILITIES;
NEW ORLEANS - TWO DAYS - GRAIN AND OTHER BULK
FACILITIES;
HOUSTON - TWO DAYS - PETRO CHEMICAL FACILITIES;
WASHINGTON - TWO DAYS - WRAP-UP DISCUSSIONS.

ABOVE INCLUDES FOUR DAYS OF WEEKENDS AT CONVENIENT
STOPPING POINTS IN ITINERARY. TOTAL IN-COUNTRY COST PER
PERSON IS ESTIMATED AT ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS.
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3. REQUEST EMBASSY ASCERTAIN IF PAKADAMAN RECEIVED
ITINERARIES AND ANY INDICATION OF TIMING OF VISITS. INGERSOLL

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